

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 29 were pending in this application.

Claims 1-18, 20, 21, 23 and 25 have been cancelled

Claims 12 - 29 were rejected.

Claims 21-24, 26 and 27 were objected to.

Claims 19, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 29 were amended.

I. 35 USC 112 Rejections

The Examiner has objected to the wording of Claims 12-29 under 35 USC 112. In view of the Examiner's comments, Claims 12-18 have been cancelled. Claim 19 has been amended. All references to "resistance to sliding" have been eliminated.

Having complied with the Examiner's remarks, it is hoped that all claims stand in proper form.

II. Allowable Matter

Claims 21-24, 26 and 27 were objected to, but were deemed to contain allowable matter.

Claim 21 depends from independent Claim 19 with Claim 20 being an intervening claim. The matter of Claim 20 and Claim 21 have been added to Claim 19 by amendment. Claims 20 and 21 have been subsequently cancelled. Claim 19, as amended, therefore represents the matter of Claim 21 rewritten into independent form.

In view of the Examiner's remarks, Claim 19 and its remaining dependent claims are believed to stand in condition for allowance.

Claim 23 depends from independent Claim 19 with Claim 20 being an intervening claim. The matter of Claim 20 and Claim 23 have been added to Claim 19 and have been rewritten as new Claim 30. Claim 23 has been subsequently cancelled. New Claim 30, as amended, therefore represents the matter of Claim 23 rewritten into independent form.

In view of the Examiner's remarks, New Claim 30 and its remaining dependent claims are believed to stand in condition for allowance.

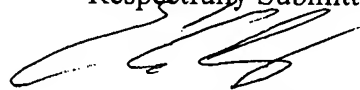
Claim 25 depends from independent Claim 19 with Claim 20 being an intervening claim. The matter of Claim 20 and Claim 25 have been added to Claim 19 and have been rewritten as new Claim 31. Claim 25 has been subsequently cancelled. New Claim 31, as amended, therefore represents the matter of Claim 25 rewritten into independent form.

In view of the Examiner's remarks, New Claim 31 and its remaining dependent claims are believed to stand in condition for allowance.

III. SUMMARY

Having fully complied with the comments of the Examiner, this application is believed to stand in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner is of the opinion that such action cannot be taken, the Examiner is requested to call the applicant's attorney at (215) 321-6772 in order that any outstanding issues may be resolved without the necessity of issuing a further Office Action.

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